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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 23, 2008

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 23, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 23, 2008, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/EVRO/0006/KMT for excess claim fees and any other amount for fees, including extension of time fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

A listing of the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper. Amendments to the Specification are attached hereto as a replacement Sequence Listing. Amendments to the Drawings are attached hereto as replacement sheets 3 and 5.